

FRIENDS OF THE VICTOR FARMINGTON LIBRARY

October 4, 2023 Members Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Kathy Jewsbury, Rebecca Donovan, Corey Klein, Gina Kaufer, Cassie Jones, Julie Brown, Jess Pritchard, Barbara Giuliano, Cathy Lahr, Barb Knickerbocker

Call to order: Vice President Kathy Jewsbury called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Approval of September 6, 2023 Minutes: Julie Brown moved to approve the September 6, 2023 minutes. Jess Pritchard seconded, and the motion was carried.

Treasurer's Report: Rebecca Donovan shared the report for April 1 through September 27, 2023, with a checking account balance of \$1,776.73. Gina Kaufer moved to accept the Treasurer's report, Corey Klein seconded, and the motion was carried.

Reports:

- Kathy Jewsbury reported that paid memberships remain at 54, with no new memberships this past month.
- Jess Pritchard, on behalf of the Library Director, reported that renovation of the east wing is on schedule for a mid-October completion. A reception is planned for donors on October 21, 2023, with a ribbon-cutting and open house for the public on October 23, 2023 to show off the completed renovations.
- Cassie Jones reported that Eastview Mall has confirmed Book Sale dates for October 26-29, 2023 in the Macy's wing. The Book Sale Committee is busy collecting used books and preparing for the Fall Book Sale; used books will be collected until October 19th, and move-in day is scheduled for October 21st. Eastview Mall will hold a Trick or Treat event for kids on Saturday, 10/28 from 11am-1pm. It was agreed to participate in Trick or Treat (prior to Sale opening at 1pm) only if we can secure enough volunteers to staff that extra time slot. SignUp Genius is online for book collection and moving day, and a new SignUp Genius will be shared by email for volunteers to work the sale.

Old Business:

- Rebecca Donovan reported on the Climb Aboard Victor event. Volunteers handed out nearly 500 reading-themed kids' spin-to-win prizes. The event was very well-attended and a great opportunity to promote the Library and the Friends.
- Barb Giuliano reported on the final Tacos, Trails, and Ales event. It's a fun community event, and the Friends handed out quite a few books.
- It was noted there are no more Bridge Luncheons.

New Business:

- Upcoming events include "A Christmas Carol" on December 2nd at 2pm, and Jingle Mingle also on December 2nd from 2-6pm. Volunteers will be needed...more information to come.
- An open discussion followed on holding a brief business meeting on December 6th, followed by a more casual social gathering - with refreshments - to celebrate the holiday season.
- Our next Members meeting will be held in the newly renovated Malone Room!

Next Members Meeting: November 1, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Library Malone Room

Meeting adjourned by Vice President Kathy Jewsbury at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Donovan, Secretary